GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Higher Education Department – A.P. Private Universities (Establishment and Regulation) Act, 2016 – Constitution of Expert Committee under Section 2 (10) and Section 8 – Orders -Issued.

HIGHER EDUCATION (RM) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 22 **Dated: 21-01-2025**

Read the following:

1. A.P Private Universities (Establishment and Regulation) Act, 2016 (Act No.3 of 2016).
2. G.O.Ms.No.22, Higher Education [EC] Department, Dated:18.05.207.
3. G.O.Ms.No.51, Higher Education [UE] Department, Dated:23.09.2021.
4. Andhra Pradesh Private Universities (Establishment and Regulation) (Amendment) Act, 2023.
5. G.O.Rt.No.171, Higher Education[RM] Department, Dated:25.10.2023

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O R D E R:

Under Section 2(10) and section 8 of Andhra Pradesh Private Universities (Establishment and Regulation) Act, 2016 and rule 3(5) of Andhra Pradesh Private Universities (Establishment) Rules, 2017 issued in the reference 1st and 2nd read above respectively and also read with the references 3rd and 4th read above, the Government hereby constitute Expert Committee with the following members for a period of One (1) year.

S.No	Persons to be nominated as per Rule 3(5) of G.O.Ms.No.22, H.E (EC) Dept., Dt:18.05.2017	Name and Designation of the Experts
1.	One Academic Administrator	Dr. Kotha Madhu Murthy Chairman, APSCHE
2.	One Expert in Financial Matters	Sri Sateesh Andra, Managing Director, Endiya Partners
3.	An Eminent Academician	Dr. V.S.R.K.Prasad, Former Director, Indian Institute of Petroleum & Energy, Visakhapatnam
4.	An Eminent person from the field of Research	Prof. B.S.Murthy, Director, I.I.T., Hyderabad.
5.	A Renowned Industrialist	Dr. Kancherla Ravindranth Founder, Global University Foundation.

2. Under Section 8 and 9 of the said Act, the powers and functions of Expert committee are as follows:-

Section 8

(1) The Government shall constitute an Expert Committee, consisting of such persons as may be prescribed, to examine the application received under Sections 6 and 7;

(2) The Expert Committee shall consider the proposal and the project report based on the information given under sections 6 and 7 and recommend or otherwise whether the proposal to set up a Private University is acceptable and whether the Sponsoring body is competent to set up and manage the University;

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(3) The Expert Committee shall consider each proposal and project report with reference to the following factors:

(a) Financial soundness and assets of the Sponsoring body and its ability to setup the infrastructure of the proposed University;

(b) Background of the Sponsoring body such as experience in the field of education, its credibility and general reputation;

(c) potentiality of the programmes and courses to be offered which are not only of conventional nature but also in tune with the contemporary requirements of emerging branches of learning and relevant to various development sectors and to the society in general;

(d) Appropriateness of the objectives of the proposed University against the overall goals & objectives of the State; and

(e) any other factor that the Expert Committee may deem appropriate.

(4) The Expert Committee, while considering the proposal and the project report, may call for such other information from the Sponsoring body as it thinks proper for the purpose.

(5) The Expert Committee shall endeavour to present its recommendations to the Government within (60) days of its receipt of the application from the Government.

Section 9:

The Expert Committee may recommend to the Government appropriate additional measures for Private Universities, from time to time.

3. The Expert Committee shall have the following terms of reference for examination of the proposals to set up the Private Universities in the State of Andhra Pradesh:

(a) To conduct a scientific study on the educational needs of various parts of the State for Private Universities and notify such localities for inviting applications for establishment of Private Universities in the State.

(b) To prescribe norms on the requirement of instructional and infrastructural facilities required for establishment of Private Universities in the State.

(c) To prescribe the requirement of financial resources and endowment fund to be deposited duly specifying joint holders of the fund.

(d) To prescribe the Rules and formats to fill up the gist of DPR by the Managements of Private Universities and format for scrutiny observations.

(e) To scrutinise the applications through an experienced and expertise people and record findings in the prescribed format.

(f) To prepare the terms and conditions to be incorporated in the Letter of Intent (LoI) so as to be fulfilled by the Managements to set up Private Universities.

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(g) To seek the views of A.P. State Council of Higher Education and A.P Higher Education Regulatory Commission on the proposals.

(h) To examine the proposals based on the Section 6 and 7 of A.P Private Universities Act, 2016, (Act No.3 of 2016) scrutiny report, views of APSCHE and APHERMC.

(i) To submit the recommendations of the Committee to the Government for taking decision.

4. Apart from the activities already detailed above, the Committee may also consider inviting the top Universities with the overall objective of making the State of Andhra Pradesh a Knowledge and an Education hub.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

KONA SASIDHAR, IAS
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To:

Sri. Dr. Kotha Madhu Murthy, Chairman, Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education.

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Dr.V.S.R.K.Prasad, Former Director, IIP&E, Visakhapatnam through Secretary Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education.

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Dr.Kancherla Ravindranth, Founder, Global University Foundation through Secretary Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education.

The Secretary, A.P State Council of Higher Education, Mangalagiri, Guntur.

The Member Secretary, APHERMC, Tadepalli.

The Secretary, University Grants Commission, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110002.

Copy to:

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